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Second French Nuclear Ballistic Missile Submarine
Reactor Achieves Criticality: The reactor of the
second French nuclear ballistic missile submarine,
Le Terrible, went critical during the week of 26 April.

OFFENSIVE SYSTEMS

<u>Comment</u> : The achievement of criticality of the reactor indicates that the construction of the sub-
marine's nuclear propulsion system is nearly completed.